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## Benz Disposal Co. Inc.

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VIA Federal Express

U.S. EPA, Region 9 75 Hawthorne St. San Francisco, CA 95105

RE: Information Request Letter for San Fernando Valley/North Hollywood

Superfund Site

North Hollywood, California

Att: Kim Muratore, Case Developer (SFD-7-B)

Find enclosed answers to the questions which are due June 16. Although we did not get a response back to our request for an extension, we have searched and have not been able to find any of the records from that time period anyway. The source of this information, is from the memory of the remaining shareholder, Louie Visco as communicated to me (his daughter).

Best regards,

Diana Visco, Administration Benz Disposal Co.

## ENCLOSURE B: INFORMATION REQUEST RESPONSES

## **Sent by Fed Ex 6/14/06**

#1. State the full legal name, address, telephone number, positions(s) held by, and tenure of the individual(s) answering any of the questions below on behalf of Benz Disposal Co. (the "Company").

Louie Visco, Shareholder, Director, Officer Benz Disposal Co. since original incorporation July 1, 1954.

#2. Identify the individuals who are or were responsible for environmental matters at the Company's facility located at 9361 Glenoaks Boulevard, Sun Valley, California...

The facility at that location was never operated by Benz Disposal Co. It was run by a small business corporation – Land Restoration Corporation owned by 4 partners:

Ed Farrell - Deceased
Roy Jellison - Deceased
Marshall Rabins - Deceased
Louie Visco - 90 years old

The land was rented on a monthly basis to the company by Con-Rock.

During the time of 1955-1966 only rubbish and dirt was taken in. It was not a hazardous waste facility.

#3. Explain the Company's present operational status (e.g., active, suspended, defunct, merged, or dissolved).

Land Restoration Corporation was acquired by Benz Disposal Co. on August 1, 1978 in a tax-free exchange. Land Restoration Corporation was then liquidated. Benz Disposal Co. currently operates rubbish collection and recycling in Riverside County, CA, Imperial, CA as well as La Paz County area in Arizona as a dba known as Palo Verde Valley Disposal Service. Benz Disposal Co, does not operate any landfills.

#4. Provide the date the Company was incorporated, formed, or organized...

Land Restoration Co – Incorporation date - February 18, 1954, State of California.

Benz Disposal Co. - Incorporated State of California July 1, 1954

#5. Identify the business structure (e.g., sole proprietorship, general partnership, limited partnership, joint venture, or corporation) under which the Company currently exists...

Land Restoration Co. operated a month to month lease at the property in question until the landfill was filled. It then went across the street in the late 1960's and continued the operation. Then the last 3 years of its operation before the lease was cancelled Land Restoration merged into Benz Disposal Co. This merger took place on August 1, 1978.

#6. For each business structure under which the Company has existed or operated at the Facility, provide the corresponding dates that it existed or operated under that business structure...

Land Restoration Co, only had two locations that it operated. The first was the property in question and the second was the property across the street. It had no other business activities.

#7. Provide a copy of the articles of incorporation, partnership agreement, articles of organization, or any other documentation (together with any amendments)...

Land Restoration Co. records are not available. We are currently searching for them but have not found them as of this date 6/12/06.

#8. If the Company is or was operating under a fictitious business name, identify the fictitious name and the owner(s)...

I do not recall weather or not, a fictitious business name was required in those days. All the landfills were identified by street name. The dba would have been Bradley Avenue Landfill

#9. Identify and explain any and all sales of the Company's assets...

Land Restoration Corporation merged with Benz Disposal in a tax free exchange.

#10. *Identify* and explain any investments by the Company in other businesses, companies, or corporations equating to 5% or more of that other business...

Land Restoration Corporation did not have any other business interests.

#11. List the names, titles, telephone number(s), and current or last known addresses of all individuals who are currently or were officers and/or owners of the Company during any time that the Company was operating at the Facility...

Ed Farrell -Deceased Roy Jellison -Deceased Marshall Rabins - Deceased

Louie Visco -90 years old FOIA ex 6, Personal Privacy FOIA ex 6, Personal Privacy

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#12. Identify the dates the Company, under any of its current or former business structures, owned the facility...

Land Restoration Corporation never owned the facility.

#13. For any period of time in which the Company, under any of its current or former business structures, owned the Facility, provide the name, address, and phone number of any tenant or lessee...

Land Restoration never owned the facility nor did it sub-rent or sub-leave to any individual or corporation.

Provide the dates that the Company, under any of its current or former business #14. structures, operated the Facility.

Approximate dates are 1954-to the last 1960's or early 1970's. Records not found so exact dates are not known.

#15. For any period of time in which the Company, under any of its current or former business structures, operated at, but did not own, the Facility, provide the name, address, and phone number of the Facility's owner...

Property was owned by Con-Rock. No lease has been found but the records are still being looked for.

## FIND CON-ROCK'S ADDRESS AND INSERT

#16. Identify any individual or entity that owned or operated the Facility prior or subsequent to the Company...

Con-Rock operated it first – time unknown as a Solid Waste Landfill Then Roy Jellison and Ben Kazarian operated the "facility". Time unknown as a Rubbish Landfill.

There are no documents to support this. Information by memory.

#17. Provide a complete list of employees who had knowledge of the use of hazardous substances and disposal of wastes at the Facility during any or all of the period of time that the Company operated at...the Facility...

N/A. Hazardous waste was not dumped at this landfill

#18. Describe the size of the Facility, the approximate number of people employed by the Company at the Facility, and the product(s) manufactured or services performed by the Company at the Facility...

From memory (records are still being looked for), the landfill area was approximately 30 acres with a small lean-to for the checker. The facility operated as a landfill and did not manufacture anything. Those procedures did not change. The employees were approximately 3.

Checker Bulldozer Operator Spotter

#19. If any substance containing chromium as a component ("chromium-related substances") was utilized in any of the Company's operations at the Facility, provide a complete description of those operations...

N/A. No substance containing chromium was used. The company did not accept hazardous waste at the facility.

#20. Provide a scaled map of the Facility which includes the locations of significant buildings and features...

No map has been provided due to the fact that the location has changed and everything is by memory. However, the facility during the time Land Restoration operated it, did not have any buildings or maintenance facility.

#21. Provide copies of hazardous material business plans and chemical inventory forms (originals and updates) submitted to city, county, and state agencies...

N/A. This facility did not accept hazardous materials. Only rubbish and dirt was taken in.

#22. Provide a list of all chemicals and hazardous substances used at the Facility...

N/A. None used.

#23. Identify and provide the information below for all volatile organic compounds...which are or were used at, or transported to, the Facility...

N/A. None used

#24. Provide copies of all environmental data or technical or analytical information regarding soil, water, and air conditions at or adjacent to the Facility...

By memory, none were done. The City Inspector – would come by pretty much daily to inspect the operation of the landfill.

#25. Identify, and provide the following information for, all groundwater wells that are located at the Facility...

Do not recall ever having any information on water wells at the facility.

#26. Identify all insurance policies held by the Company from the time it commenced ownership of or operations at the Facility until present...

Records not found. Still looking for them.

#27. Provide copies of any applications for permits or permits received under any local, state, or federal environmental laws and regulations...

Records not found. Still looking for them

#28. If the Company discharged any of its waste stream to the sewer at the Facility, provide copies of all permits and analyses performed on discharged water...

N/A – The facility did not accept liquid.

#29. For each waste stream generated at the Facility, describe the procedures for (a) collection, (b) storage, (c) treatment, (d) transport, and (e) disposal of the waste stream.

No waste stream was generated but received dirt and rubbish which was immediately buried.

#30. Please provide a detailed description of all pre-treatment procedures performed by the Company on its waste streams at the Facility prior to transport to a disposal site.

No pre-treatment was necessary.

#31. Please describe the method used by the Company to remove waste streams from sumps at the Facility.

N/A There was no sump at the facility. We received no hazardous waste so there was no need for one.

#32. Please identify all wastes that were stored at the Facility prior to shipment for disposal. Describe the storage procedures...

No waste was stored for shipment. All accepted rubbish and dirt was buried at the landfill.

#33. Please identify all leaks, spills, or other releases into the environment of any hazardous substances or pollutants or contaminants...

N/A. No hazardous waste was accepted.

#34. Provide copies of any correspondence between the Company and local, state, or federal authorities concerning the use, handling, or disposal of hazardous substances at the Facility...

To the best of my knowledge there was never a problem. As mentioned no records have yet been found.

#35. Information obtained by EPA indicates that a former landfill located in Sun Valley, California and known as the Gregg Pit/Bentz or Benz Dump operated at 9361 Glenoaks Boulevard, Sun Valley, California, and at 9228 Tujunga Avenue, Sun Valley, California from approximately 1955-1966...

From memory, the land period that Land Restoration Corporation operated on the facility in question was roughly 1955 until the pit was full around late 1960's.

#36. Describe the corporate affiliation, if any, between the Company and any other businesses which operated the former Gregg Pit/Bentz or Benz Dump landfill...

Land Restoration Corporation operated the facility. No documents have been found.

#37. Documentation obtained by EPA indicates that PCE and TCE have been detected in groundwater underlying the Facility. Indicate the extent of the Company's knowledge of past operations conducted at the Facility that may have involved the use of hazardous substances such as PCE, TCE, or chlorinated solvents...

We have no knowledge of those substances as we did not use them or accept them at the landfill. Hazardous waste was not accepted at the facility.

#38. State whether the Company is aware of any measures taken to contain or remediate the effects of releases of hazardous substances at or adjacent to the Facility...

From memory none as we were never faced with that fact.